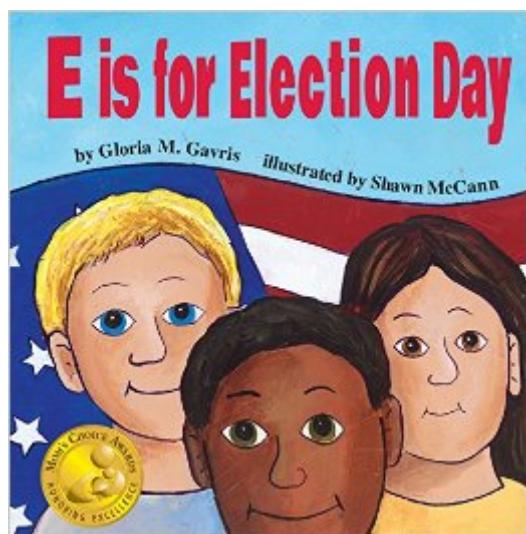


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E is for Election Day by Gloria M. Gavris and illustrated by Shawn McCann is a children's book about elections in America and has the target audience of young children. Although the author has not made it clear what age group it is targeted for, I have found that my 6 year old granddaughter got the most out of the information and the basic understanding of the process as described while my 3 year old grandson seemed most excited by the pictures and repeating the new words he just heard. I am unclear if he really understands any of it, probably not since he just turned three but the fact he stayed to hear the whole book and repeated some of the words is fantastic. (Him running around the room yelling "Go vote" at the top of his lungs, not so much!) The older grandchildren (8

and 10) thought it was a 'baby book' and were not interested in it. I found the book does go through the election process in a simple way that young children can understand without getting into the complications of popular votes vs electoral votes. In fact, the Electoral College isn't even mentioned. It states the US is a democracy which I really don't agree with but it is consistent with the popular views of society. I also found that the questions it asks the reader encourages thinking and opens the door for discussion not only of the book itself but a get-to-know-you experience because naturally the questions went to asking me if I ever voted, go to a debate, hold a political sign... As I said, I found it is a little confusing as to the targeted age because it is like an ABC Book where it states "Aa is for American Election", "Bb is for Ballots"... which of course a 3 year old would be the target age for and not a 6 year old who already knows the alphabet however, the information is something that a 3 year old would not grasp with a real understanding whereas a 6 year old would understand it much better. Even with that being said, chances are there are words a 3 year old probably never heard before. (I don't ever recall talking about votes, ballots, or debates in front of the 3 year old in normal conversation even with another adult.) Although it isn't something he'd understand, I still think there is a benefit for him to hear and repeat the words plus the added benefit of him hearing a story that kept him occupied while pointing to the fantastic illustrations and telling me things he recognizes such as balloons and cars. So I wouldn't count this book out for a 3 year old but I would plan on reading it again to him when he is older. I think this is one book that I would strongly recommend reading to children or at least sit there and let the child read it to you so you can take part in the discussion with the child. The book makes it easy for conversation and it also requires thinking on the child's part. Another reason I love this book and recommend it is because it is a subject that isn't normally covered or talked about yet it is something we live by and/or should do here in America.*I received a free copy of this book in exchange for my honest review.

E is for Election Day is written in an alphabetical straightforward way. Each page is illustrated to coordinate with the information to be presented. The material is simple enough to be understood by children. And yet the adult reader can comfortably review what they may have forgotten about the electoral process without feeling patronized. For example E is for Election Day. Then the page contains an informative paragraph about what goes on on election day. I enjoyed this succinct manual about the basic aspects of elections in the USA. I also enjoyed reading it to my kindergartner and seeing his interest light up. I hope this author continues to write additional illustrated teaching materials.

Summary: Everything that is involved leading up to and surrounding Election Day. This book is explained from an ABC format in a kids point of view. **Review:** The author has taken the time to research facts that go into an Election. These facts are given in a child's view. By doing this it is a great tool for kids to read and gain a better understanding of what an Election is. Written in an ABC format I believed it would be for young readers. The information included is far too advanced for the 1-5 age group I believed it would be intended for. This book would work well for 7-8 age group. The information given is well thought out. I believe the book can be used in the classroom and home environment.

As soon as I received my book, I showed it to my two boys, ages 8 and 6, and was "forced" to drop everything and read it to them. The cover illustration hooked them from the get go. As I started to go through the "alphabet of the electoral process", the questions started. And they kept coming. I was thrilled, as a "politically engaged dad", to see their excitement and enthusiasm to learn. They loved the illustrations, which were colorful and well done, but the content was great. I hate to admit this but it was a bit of a refresher course for me too. Anyway, the kids can't wait to turn 18 or even start holding placards at intersections before then. I highly recommend this book to any parent who wants to get past "Cat in the Hat" or other fictional tales. This is the real deal!

This was an interesting presentation for young children to learn about the election process. It has the alphabet covering different aspects relating to the election, with each letter covering a corresponding definition. I liked this format, as it was easy for children to understand, learn, and remember. I thought it was clever the way it would ask questions, interacting with the child, and making him think about what was discussed. I even learned some from the book. I never knew how the donkey and the elephant became mascots for the two major parties. And also how Uncle Sam came to be. Now I do.

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